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FOR: GAS-PHASE FLUIDIZED-BED REACTOR

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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of January 26, 2005, it is respectfully requested that the following remarks and the attached amendments¹⁾ be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application:

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 15 as set forth in Appendix II of this paper are now pending in this case. Claims 5 and 9 have been canceled, and Claims 1, 4, 6, 7 and 10 have been amended, as indicated in the listing of the claims.

Accordingly, applicants have revised the claims to better bring out the cooperative relationships between the elements of the reactor, and to allow for an easier understanding of the claimed subject matter. Additionally, the features of Claim 9 have been introduced into Claim 1. No new matter has been added.

1) Cf. the **Specification Amendments** set forth in Appendix I on pages 8 and 9 of this paper, the **Claim Amendments** set forth in Appendix II on pages 10 to 12 of this paper, and the **Drawing Amendments** set forth in Appendix III on pages 13 to 16 of this paper.